

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

BROCHETON et al.

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Atty. File No.: 3882-906-CIP

For: "IMPROVED FILTER AID FOR USE
IN ALLUVIATION"

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Group Art Unit: 1761

Examiner: Sherrer, Curtis Edward

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this Amendment and Response to address the Office Action having a mailing date of June 5, 2002 (Paper No. 10). Enclosed herewith is a petition for a three-month extension of time, thereby extending the time period for response from September 5, 2002 to December 5, 2002, as well as a check in the amount of \$920.00 as the fee for such extension. Please credit any overpayment or charge any underpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1970. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the objections to and rejections of the claims set forth in the Office Action are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 8 and 9 and add new Claim 14 as follows:

8. (Once Amended) The method for filtering an unfiltered liquid of Claim 1,

wherein the population of angular particles is defined by a size distribution having an average

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